pe bettered.

WHAT PROPLE THINK AND SAY.

ONE ADMIRER OF JACOB SHARP.

criminal. No doubt he heartily approved the sub-

TRIALS OF A GOVERNESS.

IN THE HOUSE OF HER EMPLOYER.

any one who wants it; I must write notes for the mother;

I must see inconvenient guests; I must speak German and French to distinguished foreigners (who want to ex-ercise their English) just to have it apparent what an ac-

complished governess we do have to apparent variation complished governess we do have, to be sure! Every mortal in the upper part of the house, including the nurse, looks to me to do odds and ends of their work, to take their duties when they go out, to take sides in their

odious petty squabbles, to sympathize by the hour in their wes (naturally those of injured vanity or baffled

selfishness as mine and yours are for the most part),

and the aggregate of all this takes all my tune. I can't sew, nor mend, nor read, nor think, nor have a fifteen

minutes' call from a friend, nor use the bath daily as I

OPPOSED TO ALL GAMBLING HOUSES.

SIR: Your editorial reference to the statement attrib-

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nted to me by an evening paper that "I am not opposed to gambling houses if conducted honestly," does not express my opinion on that subject. I am opposed to all gambling houses as proscribed by the statutes of this State; and the closest scrutiny of my record as a magistrate will show that I have never failed to uphoid the law in that as well as in all other respects.

Your obedient servant, MAURICE J. POWER. 303 hast Nineleenth-st., Dec. 25, 1886.

LINCOLN AND GRANT FOR 1888

Sin: Will the gentlemen who are earnestly suggesting all sorts of good Republican tickets for 1888 permit me to

all sorts of good Republican tickets for 1888 permit me to interrupt them for a minute and yield me the floor long enough to catch the speaker's eye while I propose the following: For President, Robert Lincoln, of Illinois; for vice-Fresident, Frederick Dent Grant, of New-York. The efforts of a united Democracy, with the Mugwump annex, to win against that ticket would be a spectacle calculated to make the angels laugh right out in meeting.

New-10rk, Dec. 21, 1886. W. S. W.

SLOSSON SAYS HE IS BLUFFED OUT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 (Special).—The sweeping challenge issued by Richard Roche, of St. Louis, on behalf of Jacob Schnefer, created a rippie of excitement in billiard circles. Slosson when

Io the Editor of The Iribune.

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PECT FOR NEXT WEEK.

'As if to challenge comparison, the Patriarchs' ball and the first Cotilion were placed last week within two nights of each other at Delmonico's. It is a case, fortunately, where comparisons are not odieus. Each ball is of its own kind, and porfect in its way. The Patriarchs', perhaps, is intended to be the more dignined and stately, as befits the mature years of the principal subscribers; the Cotilion is a little more frisky as it is managed by young matrons. It is said that the Cotilion last week the Cotilion is a little more fristy as it is managed by young matrons. It is said that the Cotilion tast work was more spicet than the Patriarchs; that depends upon the point of view. The Patriarchs of course are sure of their social position and gratify their own tastes in inviting their guests. This is a more satisfactory way than to consult the taste of other people and is entirely self-respectable. It caused no unhappiness on Tuesday

were handsome, but no particular idea dominated them. Ferus and the mevitable smilar were liberally used, and

The decorations for the Patriarchs on that evening were handsore, but no particular idea dominated them. Ferus and the inevitable smilax were liberally used, and roses in plaques were numerously distriputed to advantage. At the Cotalion on Thursday evening on the contrary, the near approach of Curistmas was indicated by the decorations. The musician's balcomy was covered with holly and mistletoe, the green being relieved here and there by deep red berries. There was a screen of helly and poinsetta leaves in the bail room. On each side of the cutrance stood two Brazilian palm trees. The reception room was arranged with taste but the decoration was not sonspicuous. Mrs. W. W. Astor, Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Phipps received the guests. § Both bails opened about 11 o'clocx; both suppers were ready at 12:30; on both occasions the duty of cating was over it an hour, and then the german began as 1:30 s. m. At the Patriarcha' it was led by Thomas Howard and Mrs. Charles Mauge Ramsey. Charles Russell tio we led the flaure at the Cotilion. This is the way they went down to supper at the Patriarcha': Ward McAllister and Mrs. W. W. Astor, the German Minister and Mrs. Levi P. Morton, Mr. Wilthrop and Mrs. Marshall O. Robers; at the Cotilion there was less coremony about this part of the evening's sufertainment.

The dancers and looker-on at both afairs were largely the same, although perhaps neither set of managers would cure to admit so much. There was certainly more "distinguished strangers" at the Patriarcha, among these Mr. and Mrs. Cavendab-Bendiack, General and Mrs. School and the club-house were full by Wednesday, but they will be crowded this week. It will be a royal Cignatums holiday. After dinner on Thursday evening these was adance and among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Cavendab-Bendiack, General and Mrs. William Kent. There was an informal but exceedingly pleasant dance lest uight also. To-morrow evening there was adance and among the opened and the collection of the country will go, and those who cannot will be ad

## SOME INTERESTING NEEDLEWORK

At the rooms of the "Associated Artists," No. 115 East Twenty-third-st. is exhibited an exact reproduction of the Bayeux tapestry, upon which Matilda, wife of William the Conqueror and the ladies of her court embroidered the story of the conquest of England. The first copy of the original, which is preserved under glass in the church of Bayeux, was made for the Arunde Society of Antiquaries. A member of this society, Mr. Wardle, a Loudon silk dyer of considerable note, interested himself in obtaining another reproduction and the task was accomplished by the needles of and the task was accomplished by the needles of thirty-five ladies of the town of Leek in Staffordshire, who were occupied during two years. Of the original, which is exactly copied in the Leek reproduction exhibited here, M. Eugene Muntz has said in hig a Histoire de Tapisserie." The palm among the historical compositions of its time and in ge erai those of the middle age belongs unquestionably to the famous tapestry representing the conquest of England by the Normans and known under the name of the Tapestry of Bayeaux or Fapestry of Queen Matida. Viewed with reference to its technique, this work ought not to have place here, for it is an embroidery, not a tapestry. But its dimensions, nearly 70 yards long by 20 inches high, the importance of the composition, which includes not less than 530 figures, its destination, which was certainly to be susjended at length upon a wall, its decorative character inally, and especially its importance for the history of customs, costumes, armor, style, during the eleventh century, authorize us to make an exception in its invor. The tapestry of Bayeaux is before all a historical document; the conciseness of its recital, the precision of the types, costumes, and armor, are truly calculated to interest to the highest point. There is nothing more curious than to see how the fierce warriors of the eleventh century embark, set sail, manage the transportation or arms or munitions, lighten their march for usering, etc. But if we pass to the merits of the thirty-five ladies of the town of Leek in Staffordshire, eleventh century embark, set sail, manage the transportation of arms or munitions, lighten their march for highing, etc. But if we pass to the merits of the artistic order, what ignorance of the laws of composition, proportions, perspective! Masses without equilibrium, figures ten times the height of their heads, persons in the second rank larger than those in the first, trees represented under the form of poles with a half dozen dots with the needle imitating longe,—these are the faults that one would judge severely if they were not common to all the productions of this eroch.

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The tapestry is divided by trees into compartments above which are explanatory Latin texts while below are various figures which, with more or less pertinence, play the part of a Greek chorus. The naive workmanship is sometimes curiously suggestive of Indian picture writing, indeed there is much similarity between the methods of expression in this record of war and conquest, and the boastful records of battles and slaughter by the Sioux and other Northwestern tribes. The historical importance of the original is familiar and this reproduction will be found extremely interesting. There is also shown at these rooms a collection of the Kells art en briderics," which represent a successful attempt to develop embroidery, spinning, weaving and knitting among the poverty-ridden peasants of Donegal, Ireland. The first idea for these embroideries was "the use of polished that threads of beautiful tints, worked in a broad and edective manuer on flaxen materials in designs suggested by the Irish illuminated MSS, of the seventh and eighth centuries." Much of the work now shown are consists of silk embrideries in Celtic designs on cloth spun, weven or dyed by the Donegal peasants." It may be added that the Donegal Cottage Industry is based upon the sharing of profits with the workers, and the triends of the enterprise hope to merease this success and to develop other small home industries to the benefit of the Irish peasant. As "The Pall Mall Gazette" has said "This is an 'Irish question' which the Christmas time puts with unpartisan and personal directness to all alike."

SOCIAL INCIDENTS. On Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bronson, of No. 172 Madison-ave., gave a Christmas Eve-party to about forty friends. The house of Egerton I. Winthrop, at No. 25 East Thirty-third-st., adjoining Mr. Bronson' and connected with it, was thrown open, the guests going

freely through both houses.

Mrs. A. L. Plummer, of No. 110 West Fifty-fifth-st., gave a dancing party to over twenty young persons last gave a dancing party to over twenty young persons hast twening.

Mrs. M. H. Halley entertained a large company of guests at suppor last evening at her home No. S9 Joralemon-St., Brooklyn.

Mrs. Joseph Lentilhon and the Misses Lentilhon entertained a large number of guests at their reception yesterday at No. 36 West Eleventh-st.

Mrs. Samuel Smith held a reception on Friday at No. 33 West Twentieth-St.

Miss Leland, of No. 1 West Thirty-seventh-st., gave a dinner last evening.

Mrs. Denny, of No. 19 West Thirty-sixth-st., gave a dinner to a party of twelve.

Mrs. Decoppett and Mrs. Acker each gave large chiltren's parties at their homes.

MISS LETITIA FRITSCH'S COOLNESS.

Miss Letitia Fritsch, the prima donna, who has been on a concert tour through the West with P. S. Gilmore, re-Ind., she had an opportunity of exercising her presence of mind and averting a panic. While she was singing the front row of border lights fell to the stage with a crash, the heavy tin reflectors falling with them and seriously injuring two of the musicians, bome of the andience shricked with fright, which tended to cause a panic, when Miss Fritsch with great coolness pushed the wreck a little one side and continued her soilo. This reassured the audience, who returned to their seats, and when Miss Fritsch finished they applicated and cheered her lustily. ed on Friday to rest until February. At Kokomo,

THE . . . TEAR AT THE PRODUCE EXCHANGE. the committee having in charge the arrangements of entertainment on the Produce Exchange on Saturday sing, to see the old year out and the new year in, are emired that it shall be the best content. vening, to see the old year out and the new year in, are letermined that it shall be the best and most complete in the dignity and character of the programme that has wer been given. The greatest care has been given to the istribution of the tickets, and no boist-rousness or illarity is to be permitted. The programme will consist if vocal and instrumental music by well-known artists, and Cappa's band has been engaged. There will be maple accommodations for the convenience of ladies, and eats will be provided for all. The surplus from the sale of tickets, to members and their friends only, is to be livided between the Saturday and Sunday Hospital rund and the employes of the Exchange.

A. B. MAGOUN IN BELLEVUE HOSPITAL. B. Magoun, who was taken from the Fifth Avenue tel to the Thirtieth Street Police Station on Friday ernoon and detained over night on suspicion of in-ity, was taken to the Jefferson Market Police Court terday and committed to the insene ward at Bellevue

Hospital. He was so much dazed as to be unable to give any account of himself. The \$2,416 which he had in his pockets he was permitted to keep pending an examination as to his mental condition. Last evening a dispatch was received at Police Headquarters from his son, J. A. Magoun, of South Hanover, Mass., asking that he be held until his ricends could send for him. The dispatch save no information about the insane man, and it was said at Believue Hospital that he was not able to talk rationally. His son will arrive in the city to-day.

SOUTH HANOVER, Mass., Dec. 25.—Abner B. Magoun is well known here. He is a broker and is engaged in busi-

well known here. He is a broker and is engaged in busi-ness in Chicago. He left here suddenly and was unheard of until to-day. He is possessed of a large amount of property here, is highly respected and is very wealthy.

SOCIAL INCIDENTS IN WASHINGTON.

THE SEASON AT THE WHITE HOUSE. NO HOPE OF DANCING ROUTS AND BALLS-HOLI-

DAY PESTIVITIES. [BY TRLEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE !

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—When the official programme
for the White House levee on New Year's day was published a week ago it included the Saturday drawing
rooms to be held by Mrs. Cleveland, and to continue through the season. This gave the impression that Mrs. Cleveland would receive every Saturday
through the season. Subsequently the dates for official
dinners and evening receptions were fixed, and these so
far as possible alternate with the Saturday drawing
rooms. Mrs. Cleveland will receive on the four Saturdays—January 8 and 22 and February 5 and 19, from 3
to 5, o'clock. These receptions are public and
cards are not required though custom has made it optional
for strangers to have cards if they wish. Society
people, whose calls run up into the thousands, consider
it a great waste of engraved pasteboard to fill the White

has chosen Thursday evening for dinners and receptions, making a change from Tuesday, the evening on which President Arthur held receptions during his Administration. The Cabinet dinner has, according to former etiquette, led off, or opened the dinner season. This year the President's reception to the Diplomatic Corps will be first, taking place on Thursday evening, January 13, from 9 to 11 p. m., and the Cabinet dinner follows one week later. The reception to Congress and the Judiciary is on the next Thursday evening, January 27, and on the following Thursday evening, February 3, there will be a dinner to the Diplomatic Corps. The President's third official reception is to the Army and Navy on Thursday evening, February 10, nd on Thursday evening, February 17, the dinner to the supreme Court Justices, will be given. On the following Tuesday evening, February 22, and the night before Ash, Wednesday the President holds a public reception.

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By this arrangement there will be in the short season of six weeks, five day receptions, including the New Year levee, four evening, and three dinner parties at the White House. In addition, the President will continue the tri-weekly hand-shaking with the public, going down to the East Room at half-past 1 o'clock on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Mrs. Cleveland will give a morning hour on Tuesdays and Thursdays to friends and acqualutances, from 12 to 1 o'clock, receiving by card. On the whole, there seems o'clock, receiving by card. On the whole, there seems little chance for the threatened innovation of dancing and balls, as reported, to be introduced by the President's bails, as reported, to be introduced by the President's young and attractive wife. On the contrary, the old-time etiquette and formality are to be undisfurbed, and all the pretty nonsense about bails and youthfulkgayety vanishes into thin air. Mrs. Folsom, who is settled at Onk View, will have a reception the day after New Year's. As the drive is one of four miles over the usual country roads about Washington, she will probably take the morning rather than the afternoon to see visitors. Mrs. Folsom's Christmas dinner guests to-day were the President and Mrs. Clevelsad, and Colonel and Mrs. Lamons.

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The Christmas Congressional exodus is unusually large this year. Senators and Representatives having houses here remain for the holidays, but others, dependent on hotels and noarding-houses, have gone away to their homes. Senator Evarts, Senator Ingalls, Senator Hagrison and Senator McMillen have gone home, and will bring their families with them on their return after the holidays. Senator Evarts is the only one of the number who is housekeeping, having taken a house on Ket., near Representative Hitt's dwelling. Mr. Hitt's house is the one formerly occupied by Mr. Evarts when Secretary of State in President Hayes's Cabinet. Miss Margaret Blaine is to visit here in January, and will be the guest of Representative and Mrs. Hitt.

Secretary Bayard's family are in Delaware for the holidays. Miss Nellie Vilas, the elder of the Postmaster-General's two daughters, will be formally introduced to society our Tuesday at a tea given by Mrs. Vilas, from 4 to 7. Miss Vilas is a sensible young woman, who is nowise eager for a "coming out" party. She laughingly asserts that she is "out," having assisted her mother on Wednesdays all last season. Miss Molile Vilas is president of the Children's Christmas Club, having succeeded Miss Nellie Arthur. The clinb dinner to poor children will be given on Tuesday, at the National Rife Armory, President Arthur was a guest at these dinners. Last year Miss Clevenan was present. Mrs. Cleveland is expected to atten this year.

The denuantes for January are the daughters of Senator Sherman.

The minister from Hayti, Mr. Preston, recently back from Europe, will remain here for the winter. Mrs. Preston and their children are in France.

There are to be few entertainments other than dinner parties given to the deploymate this season. Of those having houses the Portuguese and Russian Ministers 'Tamilles are abroad. It is said that the Chinese Minister will give a series of dinne

roses. The guests were Secretary withiney, Mr. and Mrs. Baneroft Davis, Assistant Secretary and Mrs. Fairchild, Mr. and Mrs. David King, Henry Adams and his guest, Miss Adams, of Boston; John Davis and Miss Howard, Miss Endicott gave a young ladies' luncheon on Thursday. A german was given on Wednesday hight by Mrs. Cruger Pell, of New-York, who has the Carroil House for a winter home. The favors were unique, gilt crooks and flutes being given with the shepherd figure. Baskets of growing forms were given with another and fans with the Japanese figure. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jewett, of New-York, who are spending the winter here, gave a dinner to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Waite, son and daughter-in-law of the Chief Justice.

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The Christmas tree parties given yesterday and to-day at the home of Secretary Whitney have been the chief Christmas festivals of the week. The party yesterday was given to the young friends of Mr. Whitney's three children. Pauline, Harry and Payne Whitney. When the bail room was opened a Christmas carol was sung by the boy choir of St. John's church.

To-day the tree was refilled with presents and Mrs. Whitney gave a party to over sixty children of St. John's Orphanage, her own children being the hosts.

Secretary and Mrs. Manning will give a dinner on Monday in honor of the President and Mrs. Cleveland. This is a deferred dinner, to have been given soon after the President's marriage had Mr. Manning's lilness not prevented. The other guests will be the Cabinet.

NO OPERA HERE THIS WEEK.

PREPARING FOR COMING PRODUCTIONS AT THE · METROPOLITAN OPERA HOUSE.
With the "Queen of Sheba" at the matinee yester-

day the Metropolitan Opera House came to a short pause in the production of opera in German, thus concluding the first part of the present season. No opera will be given at that house this week. Yet the rebearsals will go on unremitting;y, Goldmark's "Merlin" being in preparation for production on January 3. This work will be repeated on Friday. January 7, with "Tannhauser" on the intervening

"Merlin" being in preparation for production on January 3. This work will be repeated on Friday. January 7, with "Tannhauser" on the intervening Wednesday and "Lobengrin" for the Saturday matinee of that week.

Since the production of the "Queen of Sheba" in opening the season, Director Stanton has kept studiously on his way to fulfil the promises of the management to the public and he has thus placed himself in shining contrast to certain other managers in the days of Italian opera. Brull's "Golden Cross" and "Tristan und Isolde" have made their first appearance here, and while the former with its Vienna waltzes ballet introduced a lighter and feeting element, Wagner's great work has proved a splendid landmark in the history of the production of opera in this sountry. "Tristan" nights have become a feature of the season and on them large andiences and enthusiastic applause have prevailed. The public has been gratified with the manner in which opera in German has been presented by Mr. Stanton, while his quiet, unceasing and effective work has never told to better advantage.

Extreme care is being taken in the preparation of "Merlin." The scenery is receiving Mr. fiolt's "very beat attention." The scenes are all exterior; the last one, the "flower scene," is especially noteworthy. "Segiried" will follow later.

There have been several plans for operatic ventures pertaining to the house or its singers after the coose of the season on February 26. That of H. Gran, who wished to take all the singers he could on the road after the season, fell through precipitately. Mr. Stanton failed to see his way clear to lend his countenance to this scheme to produce opera in German with the aid of the singers of the Metropolitan Opera llonse without its scenery, costumes and properties; and Mr. Gran did not offer to purchase these paraphernalia. Another much more leasable project is that in benait of Mme. Patti, to enable her to sing in opera at the Metropolitan before she once more bias larewell to America. Those who are in a

FIGHTING ON A CROWDED PASSENGER TRAIL COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 25 (Specia').—A bloody fight oc-curred on a late passenger train which left Charleston last night. The train was packed with people, and among them were a crowd of drunken negroes. Three of these desperadoes drew their pistols and began firing into the crowd. Others joined in the fight, and pistols into the crowd. Others joined in the fight, and pistois and razors were drawn. There was a panic on the train. Women and children became terror-stricken, and it was with the utmost difficulty that numbers of them were prevented from jumping of the curs, which were running at a high rate of speed. The galianary of the conductor in facing the drunken mob saved many lives. One man was shot in the mouth, another was stabled in the face.

GENERAL LOGAN ALARMINGLY ILL.

HIS PHYSICIAN EXPRESSING FEARS OF THE RESULT PROM AN ATTACK OF RHEUMATISM.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The condition of Senator Logan, who has been suffering for some days past from an attack of acute rheumatism, has grown rapidly worse, so much so as to scriously alarm his family. Friends in attendance speak in despondent terms of the prospect of his recovery. Dr. J. H. Baxter, Chief Medical Purveyor of the Army, who is his attending physician, said to an Associated Press reporter to-night that the General's condition is indeed alarming.

"His illness," said the doctor, dates back nearly two weeks, when I was called and found him suffering con-

"His illness," said the doctor, dates back nearly two wocks, when I was called and found him suffering considerably from acute rhoumatism, which was then confined chiefly to his right wrist. In the course of three or four days it yielded to treatment and he became much better; within a day or two, however, he took additional cold, which resulted in relapse, the rheumatic affection extending to his hips and lower extremities as well as to both arms. The attack has been attended at times by high fever and nervous prostration, in which the brain is considerably involved, resulting in delirium more or less active. While he is not now suffering any pain incident to the rheumatism, yet there has been for the past two or three days a gradual decrease in strength and a tendency to brain compileations of a serious nature. The fact is that he was much reduced in strength overwork, and his system was not in a proper condition to resist disease. He lies most of the time in a semi-consisted size, from which he is with difficulty aroused. At times he knows his friends, but soon again sinks into a lethargic siecp. His fever is somewhat increased tonight, and the brain symptoms are more prominent, and his condition, I must say, is critical."

In response to a question, the doctor said that the danger lies, not so much in the possibility of heart compileations as in his extreme exhaustion and brain troubles. The doctor said that the Senator had an attack four years ago somewhat similar to the present, but it was not attendage hysticians. Consultations are held three or four times daily. One of the physicians will remain at the Senator's bedside to-night, to be relieved by another, who will remain during the entire day to-morrow.

SENATOR SABIN ON THE TARIFF.

FOR FREE LUMBER, FREE SUGAR AND FREE SALT

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—THE MINNESOTA SENATORSHIP.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 (Special).—Senator D. M. Sabin, of
Minnesota, who is on his way home, speaking of contonplated tariff and other legislation said to-day: "I, personally, am strongly in favor of the total abolition or at least
a marked reduction of the tariff on the necessaries of life.
I think this opinion is very general in my State, and even
throughout the West. The tariff question, however, is not
the only disturbing element in Minnesota politics that
worked at the last election. The question of grain storage
and transportation has caused a great deal of discussion
as to present systems and an equal amount of dissatisfaction among our agricultural elements. There is little
doubt that a great many Republicans bolted because of
antipathy to corporations and corporation influences
which they suspected of controlling in an inordinate degree the elections. This fear was said to exist more espe-

antipathy to corporations and corporation that they suspected of controlling in an inordinate degree the elections. This fear was said to exist more especially with regard to the Governor-elect, but those who know him personally feel convinced of its baselessness. No man in the State is more thoroughly in sympathy with the agriculturists and the producing element of Minnesota than Governor McGills.

"The political future of Minnesota is most bright. The experiences of the last election will teach the Republican party that they cannot afford to indulge in squabbles, and show the disordered element the necessity for party fealty and mutual exertion against a common enemy. As far as the Senatorial contest is concerned, there is no doubt that the majority of thirty in the Legislature will insure the election of a good Republican. So far as relates to the Hewitt bill, and my position on tariff measures as they relate to agricultural interests, I shall vote, when opportunity offers, for the Canadian reciprocity treaty—for free lumber, free salt and free sugar, I will not, however, vote to remove taxes from tobacco, whiskey and the inxuries of life. I favor abolit on or radical reduction of tariff on those necessities that enter into the development of the farmer, the laborer and the Western agricultural interests. Let such products go free."

HOW BRAVERY WAS REWARDED.

A ROMANTIC CHRISTMAS TALE FROM THE SOUTY

CITY.
PHTSBURG, Dec. 25 (Special).—Nearly three years ago a young man, John Callaghan, a travelling agent for a Rochester fruit-tree nursery, visited this city in the inter-est of his employers. He was a thoroughly educated man and soon formed a large circle of acquaintances, many of whom thought that selling pine trees was not the proper sphere for a man of Callaghan's many attainments. Callaghan formed a strong attachment for George Wurzel, a groceryman, to whom he told his story. He said that he was born near Springfield, Mass., and that his father was was born near springhed, Mass, and that his father was a wealthy and influential man. He graduated at Amherst College, after which he entered the West Point Military Academy. There he became intemperate in his habits, and once while intoxannuity of \$300 upon him and upon her death Wurzel will receive \$10,000. Callaghan has now entered the United States Navy and is stationed at the Newport Torpedo

TROUBLE AMONG THE READING EMPLOYES.

A SERIOUS STRIKE THREATENED-TRAINMEN RE-

FUSE TO TAKE OUT CARS. FUSE TO TAKE OUT CARS.

READING, Dec. 25 (Special).—There is serious trouble brewing among the employes of the Reading Railroad.

At Richmond the entire force employed at the coal wharves including the shifting crows have struck because the company has decided to take off two of the ten engines and their crews and compel the remainder to perform the work. This, the men say, cannot be done. Last night the main line trainmee, who are in sympathy with their Richmond brethren, also refused to take out their trains, and in consequence the tracks are badly blocked with freight and coal cars which came in during the night. At Pala Atto, the upper end of the main line, the sidings are also blocked with loaded cars and the crews are refusing to move them. They say they will not take out a car until the Richmond difficulty is

About 90 per cent of the employes belong to the Knights of Labor and special meetings have been called for to-morrow. Prominent Knights in this city saf that if the strike should become general along the main line it will not only affect the latter but all its branches, including the coal regions. About 15,000 men and boys are employed by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and are employed by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company at its various collieries and in case of a lockout among the railroad hands all the collieries will be compalled to snut down also. The latter are now only making about half time and this would be a serious blow to the miners. Within the past few weeks a large number of men have been anapended in this city and at various points along the main line and branches. This has caused a feeling of unensiness among those who still retain their positions, and it is a difficult matter to say how many more will be dropped on the first of the year. There have been four smash-ups within two weeks resulting in the destruction of five locomotives and a large number of cars. These deaders were the result of carecresness, and many persons attribute them to den oralization and indifference on the part of the employes.

der or all know and planes refused to take out trains this afternoon and the outlook this evening is certainly not encouraging. The railroad officials although reflect, it is evident, apprenend serious trouble on Monday unless the matter is settled at kicamond.

KILLED BY A NON-UNION WORKMAN. Pittsburg, Dec. 25 (special).—Near Connellsville, John Gibbons, a coal miner, was shot three times this morning and killed by Michael Haddenmen, a non-union coke driver, against whose employment his fellow-workmen some months ago struck in a body. The strike is not a success and there has since been bitter hatred of Haddenmen. Gibbons went to haddennen's house and roughly ordered him to join the Knights of Labor, and a quarrel ensued with the above result. Haddennen, who is in jail, says Gibbons abused his family, struck him several times with a stone, and demanded a dollar as an initiation fee for joining the Knights of Labor.

SILVER BARS STOLEN FROM AN EXPRESS CAR St. Louis, Dec. 25.—When the Kirkwood accommoda-tion train, East bound, on the Missouri Pacific road reached Cheltenham, one of the western suburbs of this city last evening, seven bars of silver were put into the Pacific Express Company's car, attached to the train, but when the express matter was taken from the car some time after the train arrived here, only five bars could be There is no doubt but that the car was robbed while it was standing in the Union Depot yards, but there is no clew to the robber. The silver was snipped by the st. Louis Smelting and Reinning Company and was consigned to the Third National Bank of Philadelphia. The bars weighed about seventy pounds each and were valued at \$2,000. nd, and the missing silver has not yet turned up.

NAMING BRONSON HOWARDS NEW PLAY. Late last evening Bronson Howard decided finally upon a title for his new play for Miss Dauvray, which is to be performed on January 4. It has been called "Met by Chance." Some account of the play and a talk with its author will be found on the eleventh page of to-day's issue.

Miss Catherine L. Wolfe's condition was so much improved yesterday that the doctors spoke hopefully of her SUICIDE OF AN EX-POLICEMAN.

MISS WOLFE MAY RECOVER.

ment in billiard circles. Slosson when asked his opinion of it said: "It virtually bars all of the billiard players out, as none of them have the amount of money asked for to put up, nor backers willing to furnish it. Had he placed the stakes to be played for at \$500 each game, it would have been plenty enough. As I understand it, if a man plays one game he must play all. That would require a stake of \$6,000 on the start, and that's more money than any one of us has at the present time. I don't believe Schaefer can beat me at any one of the games he mentions. However, for the present, I am biuffed out." THE WEATHER REPORT. GOVERNMENT INDICATIONS-FOR 24 HOURS.

Washington, Dec. 25.—For Maine, New-Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, fair weather, northerly winds becoming variable, slight changes in temperature.

For Eastern New-York, Eastern Pennsylvania, New-Jersey and Delaware, fair weather, northwesterly winds becoming variable, slight changes in temeprature. TRIBUNE LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

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TRIBUNE OFFICE, Dec. 26-1 a. M. - The movement of the

policeman, committed suicide yesterday. Last Tuesday he was dismissed from the force for dagrant and wilful leveliction of duty.

ranged between 22° and 39°, the average (80°), being 17° lower than on Friday.

In and near this city to-day there will probably be fair and warmer weather.

OBITUARY.

SHEPHERD F. KNAPP.

PLEADING FOR HIM EVEN IF HE DID COMMIT BRIB-ERY.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Why are you all the time after Jacob Sharp! From your paper it seems the State and City had come a drop game upon him. He was a green countryman that came to this city and saw the terrible condition of Broadway. A thoroughfare that should be and new is just the best in the world. When he looked over the ground he saw and heard what made humans and Christian mon and women weep. Much praying was being done that matters might be bettered. PLEADING FOR HIM EVEN IF HE DID COMMIT BRIB-SHEPHERD F. KNAPP.

Shepherd F. Knapp died at 2 o'clock yesterday morning at his bome, in West One-hundred-and-fifty-eighth-st., Audubon Park. He passed away peacefully and without recovering from the insensibility in which he had fallen over seventy hours before. He had been afflicted at times for several years with dropsy, caused, his physicians say, by a disease of the liver. He was taken ill about the middle of October at his country house at Babylon, L. L., but was relieved by an operation performed four weeks ago to such an extent that he was able to be removed to his city home. The relief proved to be merely temporary and on Wednesday he fell into a comatose condition from which he did not arouse.

Mr. Knapp was born in Beekman-st. on August 29, 1832, being a son of Shepherd Knapp, who was for many

Passengers at many hours of the day crossed the street at risk of life and limb and in constant fear, and those who rode up and down in the plunging coaches were fairly in purgatory, before death. The swearing and brawling of the drivers, teamsters and passengers made the good man's heart sick. He came; he saw; he conquered. The old coach is gone and pleasant cars are conveying people to and fro, steadily and constantly, with comparative confort; the crossings are made without risk, and the coarse caths and hearse brawlings are no longer heard. The era of civilization has even come to Broadway. The railroad got by his cuterprise has come to stay. The people will have it. It is a bleasing.

This present railroad was in his mind's eye, also the glorious revolution it would make and the never-dying fame to him as the great philanthropist. How was he to de 'bis; that was he night and day stuay. He finally had worked the enterprise up to the Common Council of the city. The Siste says "You must get their concent." The city says, that is, the Board of Alderwen: "I furnish. It's my board. Get their consent if you can." The city says, that is, he head \$0.00,000 for it. He built the road at large expense.

Then canne the drop game. The State and City take it and the people and the press are trying to railroad Mr. Sharp to prison. Nobody believes he wanted to pay out \$500,000 if he did ray that sum. If he did pay anything for the concent, it was because such was the law of the State and the character of the city's agents that he could not otherwise bring this great blessing to the city. I don't knew Mr. Sharp nor any one in any way connected with him or in this shair. The adair has a bad look for the State and City. It would be but fair for decency's sake not only that his trial should be outside the city but even outside the State.

New Fork, Dec. 23, 1846. George P. Aver.

[Our correspondent has so soft a heart that be would evidently find good in any crime or any crimunal. No doubt he heartily approved the subscription Mr. Knapp was born in Beekman-st. on August 29, 1832, being a son of Shepherd Knapp, who was for many years president of the Mechanics' Bank and before that a well-known leather dealer in the "Swamp." The only surviving member of the family, which comprised five boys, is Peter K. Knapp, who is a farmer at New City, Rockland County. Shepherd F. Knapp leaves a widow, his second wife, to whom he was married nearly three years ago, and two sons by his former marriage, who are grown to manhood. His second son was drowned in the North River in front of the house about four years ago. He had gone out in a boat to fish, and was seen from the house to fall over suddenly into the water. He was an expert beatman and swimmer, but sank immediately. It was supposed that he had an attack of apoplexy. His body was recovered the next day. The boy was named

house to fail over suddenly into the water. He was an expert beatman and swimmer, but sank immediately. It was supposed that he had an attack of apoplexy. His body was recovered the next day. The boy was named after his father, and it was said by an intimate friend yesterday that Mr. Knapp never fully recovered from the shock of the sudden death of his favorite son.

As a lad Mr. Knapp spent a short time in the bank of which his father was president, and when a young man he entered into partnership with his brother Peter in the leather business. Subsequently he was engaged with one of his brothers in the manufacture of candles in Harlem, and still later he was supposed to have a large interest in the stock brokerage firm of Shepherd Knapp & Co., of which his nephew was the senior partner and his eidest son, William R., the other partner. He was equally well-known, however, in Wall Street and on the road, where he always sat behind a fast pair of horses. His speculations in stocks were attended with the reverses incident to Wall Street life. He was invariably a "buil" and probably never in his life went home short of a hundred shares of stock. His favorites were the Lackinwanna and the Vanderbilt shares, although he had a fondness at times for Pacific Mail. His preference for the Vanderbilt stocks was due in part to his acquaintance with William H. Vanderbilt, with whom he had many friendly brushes on the road. When I weed began his afterward famous career, Mr. Knapp had lost the built of his fortune, although he paad his debts in full. He was appointed Street Commissioner by Mayor Fernande Wood in 1861 and was on his feet again in a few years. His only other public office was the receivership of the Bowling Green Savings flank. He was a lover of horses and dogs and at his house at Audubon Park and his country house at Babylon he was constantly surrounded by them. He did not trot his horses for money, although he was not averse to friendly betts in small amounts. He was part largely in the country and in the ope scription some years ago for a splendid statue of William M. Tweed to commemorate his brilliant services as a Public Benefactor. – Ld ] A WORKINGWOMAN'S ARGUMENT AGAINST LIVING Sir: Perhaps I can give you some facts which will help to make it clear why working women in my own and other branches of service prefer to undergo any and sometimes most injurious privations rather than to I ve in the house of their employers. I am a governess, with a solid education, an active mind, and I think, I may say, the habits of a lady; yet I could not, upon repeated trial, take the far more easy and profitable life open to me if I were domiciled with my patrons; easy in the sense that my breakfast would then be cooked and served for me, my rhom be kept in order, my washing done; long walks would be spared me, and the necessity of going out when strength is low; whereas now I prepare my own meals, do all my sweeping and dusting and the greater part of my washing; profitable because I could then my up a little, whereas now I have less over my expenses of food and lodging, than any domestic in Surely fou will believe there are reasons for my pre-ferring the harder life. Judge if they are valid. When I live with the family I have no hour in the twenty-four that I am free in. Countless small errands are found for me on my Saturday morting out; I must read about to

orange County. In the year three of the company have died.

Mr. Knapp was a man of magnificent physical proportions and for many years had weighed about 240 pounds. He was a picture of manly strength and in his younger days was considered a remarkably handsome man. He usually wore a full dark beard in late years slightly streaked with gray, which was always closely cropped. His cheeks were despity bronzed and above them his eyes shone out bright and good natured. His death will be a severe loss to many friends.

The funeral services will take place in the Presbyterian Church at Ondo hundred-and-fifty-fifth-st and Teath-ave, at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday. The Rev. Dr. Charles Stoddard, who was formerly paster of the church, will probably conduct them.

A telegram from San Francisco yesterday announced the death of Major P. K. Horgan in that city, where he had been visiting for the benefit of his health. When the flag was fired on at Fort Sumter this Irish-American was one of the first men to respond to the call of Lincoln to defend the Union. He was major in the Sith Regiment, a part of General Thomas Francis Mengher's trish Brigade, which did such gallant service during the War. He was a school trustee of the Seventeenth Ward and chairman of the School Board in that ward. He resigned from this position on account of Ill-health. Major Horgan was prominently connected with the Fonian organization in this country, and was an open and avowed believer in dynamic as the only medium through which the liberation of Ireland could be achieved. His home was in Summit-st. Brocklyn, and he leaves a wife who is able, together with her two grown-up sons, to carry on his business as contractor and builder. had been visiting for the benefit of his health. When became

Intoxically the service of t

are breventribe diseases of row rty. I call myself forcunate, and such a woman unfortunate. I give no blame. This question, that other of being helped by one's wealthy relatives, and the third, of finding decent lookings at a low grice—any woman in my position could write a volume upon—such of them. I did in fact once write a bungorous article on lodgings, int-inding to send it to some manasines; but did not because they are so notoriously oversapplied. The manuscript found one reader, however, in the person of my landady of that period, who took it from my desk without permission and informed me quite anirily that "It was more than see could stomnick."

Let all that so: but consider, please, that so long as employers think in their hearts that their servants are their shaves and still think themselves most nenevolent, I and the rest of my kind prefer limited hours of work, say only ten or twive hours a day.

The ethics of -crewing down wages need to be conched upon, too. After teaching to satisfaction three years in one family, I have been docked a third this year for no other reason, I believe, than that some meddling person has told my naturally kind patrou she pays too much. I cannot believe that my people have any notion of the rivations they subject me to. It amounts to so much that I cannot buy winter clothing enough to Keep me warm; that ny doctor tells me I show results of underfeeding, and that I cannot provide for the hile months of sammer, still less lay up surthing for my old age—nor pay the Jerenmal dentist's bill. Like Cable's Creole, I must be h'augmented or leave. If any reader wants a skilled teasher, with all the accomplishments but music and drawing, I will jump at a rarry paying situation—but not to live in the family.

OPPOSED TO ALL GAMBLING HOUSES. the European players during the London tournament gave a simultaneous exhibition against a scorce of the leading New-York players last evening at the rooms of leading New-10tk players have come and measures. Lorino, Vaides, Limbeck, Werner, Lyons, Rosenbaum, Yeaton,
Augresius, Henshoth, Dukkinson, W. Hensboth, Wheelwright, Hatfield and Stern; drew with Measrs, Johnson
and Doyle, and lost to Measrs. W. Werner, Otten, Stork
and Froelich. The following game is a fine specimen of



TRANSATLANTIO TRAVELLERS. Arrived by the Aller (North German Lloyd) from Bremen yesterday: Emil Piörcke, Mrs. Flörcke, the key. Auton Joehren, and Dr. Rienard Ludiof. Sailed vesterday by the Champagne (French Line) for Bayre: M. Chinton-Smith, Mr. and Mrs. P. Armanini and the Marquit de Monges.

should be without a bottle of Angostura Bitters, the world-renowned appetizer of exquisite flavor. Beware of counterfeits.

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Deaths and Births.

OBIT—A. D. 1886, Bon Sin Cap Sin (Foor Plaster), after brief and troubled existence of a short decade.

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FRANCE-BURD-On Thursday, December 23, 1886, at St. Paul's Cathedral, Bullaio, N. Y., by the new. John W. Brown, D. D., Madeleine Gilbert Burd to Joseph Richard France.

France.

SMITH—CORNELL—On Thursday, December 23,
Ann's Charca, New-York, by the Rev. N. W. Say,
auted by the flev. James Cameron, Calvin Rae 5a,
Eicanor M. Cornell.

ANSBACHER—On Thursday morning, December 33, Maurie E., eldest son of Adolph B. and Frances E. Anseacher, in the 26th year of his age.

Puneral on Sunday morning, the 26th inst., at 9:30 a.m., from the resimence of his parents, No. 17 West 52d-st. from the resimence of his parents, No. 17 West 52d-st.

ACKERSON—At Hack/manck, N. J., on the 52d-st.

Tet Ackerson, Jr., in the 57th year of his age.

Funeral ou stocked, because 27, at 2 p. m., at the First Relatives and friends are invited without further notice. Relatives and friends are invited without further notice. Relatives and friends are invited without further notice. Train, via Now York, manuschanne and Western Railroad, heaves fout of Courtisms and Designasses sta, at 12 m.

Carriages will be in waiting on arrived of train. Carriages will be in BROUKS—At Brai ARTHAM -On Saturday evening, December Colonel Neissen B. Hartram, of White Plains, otion of functal hereafter.

COOPER—Entered into rest, at her rerit coe in New York City, December 22, 1888, Mary Bras th/ Cooper, widow of Benjamin F. Cooper, of Utlea, R. Y. Interment at Utlea, Sunday, December 26.

PAY—Suddenly, on Orbitatmas moraing, Miss L. Sophin Pay, Funepal cervices on Monday, December 27, at 35 West Soulast, at 10:50 a.m.
Interment at Brookside Cemetery, Tenady, N. J.

PITCH—In Norwalk, Conn., Thursday, December 22, Alice R., eldent dunchter of harsh and the late John Fitch. Funeral on Monday, 27th inst, at 1p m.

New Orleans papers please copy.

HOLBPOOK—On the 24th inst., at her late residence, 146 East 53d-st., of paralysis, Eucline Hotbrook, in her 34m year.

Pontenouth (N. H.) papers please copy.

HARGOUS—On Friday, December 24, at his late residence, 435 5th-ave, Louis Stanislas Hargous, in the 17th year at his are.

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436 5th-ave, Louis Stanislas Hargous, in the 77th year of his age.
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It is kindly requested that no flowers he sent.
LAW—On Friday, 24th inst., George C. Law, in the 32d year

a. m
Interment private.

LE FEVER.—Suddenly, at New-Rochelle, on Friday, December 24, 1886, Captain Peter E. Lo Fevre.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

MOFFAT—At Washingtonville, N. Y., Thursday, 234, John Newton Moffat, in the 61st year of his arc.

Funeral Mouday, 27th, 11:30 a. m. from his late residence.

Trainsfrom Chambers-at. 9 a. m. Return train reaching New-York 4:30.

Fork 4:30.

POMEROY—On Thursday, the 23d inst., Jane Powildow of Joseph Pomeroy, in the 32d year of her aga. The friends of the family are invited to attend the fractives at the residence of her son-in-law. Georgia Dilks. 34 West 5th-st, on Sunday, 26th inst, at 3 or p. in.

Interment private.

QUACKINBUSH-At his late residence, 767 Gree Thursday, December 23, Benjamin Quackinbush,

SHORT—OF FROM, Included the Company of Latin in Columbia College.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

SEXTON-FRASER—On Thursday, December 23, of meningitia, Anna, wife of John E. Fraser, of Detroit, Mich., eldest daughter of John and Antolucite Sexton.

Funeral Sunday, December 26, at 12:45 p. m., from 8t. Timethy's Episcopal Church, 57th st., between 8th and 9th avon. Detroit, Mich., and Hamilton, Ont., papers clease copy. Detroit, Mich., and Hamilton, Ont., papers clease copy.
TODD—On Friday morning, December 24, 1886, Willis
James Todd, senior of Todd & Co., aged 63.
Finneral services at his late residence, 11 West 56th-st., (
Nucl. 2018), December 2d, at 3 p. m.
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Costa Rica per steamant Pount, from Nava-Ordenia, at 8:30 p. m. for Newtoundand, per steamer from Halifax.

FRIDAY—At 10 a. m. for Central America and South Pacific Ports, per steament City of Para, via Aspinwaii (letters or Guatemaia and Moxico must be directed "per City of Para").

SATURDAY—At 5:30 a. m. for Venezuela and Curacos, per steaming Carlacos; at 0:30 a. m. for Europe, per steaming Onlina, via Queenstown (letters for Franca, Swilderina), at 0:30 a. m. for Beigiam direct, per steaming Noordiand, via Antwero (letters must be directed "per Noordiand"); at 7:30 a. m. for Franca, swilderina, "per Noordiand"; at 7:30 a. m. for Franca, swilderina, "per Noordiand"; at 7:30 a. m. for Franca, swilderinad, tray, Spain and Portugal, per steaming La Bretagne, via Havre (letters for Great Britain and other European countries must be directed "per La Bretagne"); at 3 a. m. for Scotland direct, per steamship Circassia, via Glasgow (letters must be directed "per La Bretagne"); at 3 a. m. for the Netherlands direct, per steamship Schiedam, via Amsterdam (letters must be directed "per Schiedam"); at 3 m. for Januaica, per steamship Edith Godden.

Mails for the Sandwich Islanda, per steamship Anarralia (from san Francisco) close here December "20 at 7 p. m. Mails for Australia, Net Scamphip Edith Godden.

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The schedule of closing of Trans-Pacific mails is arranged on the presumption of their ministrrupted overtand transit to San Francisco. Mails from the East arraying ON THE ASSAN Francisco on the day of sating of steamers are dispatched thence the same day.

HENRY G. PEARSON, Postmaster.

Post Office, New-York, N. Y., Dec. 24, 1856.

Beligions Notices.

American Temperance Union, Chickering Hall,—Sunday at 3 o'clock, Address by by R. R. DOHERTY, esq., Associate Editor, New York Christian Advocate. Choice musical programme, appropriate to the day, under direction of W. P. HOLLY.

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All Souls' Church, 48th-st., west of 6th-ave.—Bev. R.
REBER NEWTON will preach at 11 a. m. Prayers at 4:30 p. m.

All Nonie' Church, 4th-ave., corner 20th-at.—Christmas service at 11 a. m. Sermon by the Pastor, Roy. THEODORES C. WILLIAMS, Children e Caristmas festival at 3:30 p. m. Address by Dr. ATTABIAN, a native of Armenia. The public cordulity invited.

Church of the Divine Paternity, 5th-ave, corner 45th-at.

Rev. Chatklast H. & TON, Pastor, will preson at 11 a.m. and 7.45 p.m. Morning subject: "The Best Christmas Gitt" Evening: "Marriage and Divorce," Choral Litany Service, 4:15 o'clock, thurch of the Hoty bpirit, Mathaou-are, and 66th-at. OKURGE F. LE JEUNG, rgainet, and vested choir. Authent from Gounde's Mass-solounelle." Other sorvices, 11, 7:45. Strangers web-

Christmas Sermon, East 55th-st., near Lexington ave Printy naptist Church, REV. D. C. HUGHES, Pastor, Services: 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Baptism after evouing sermon-Disciples of Christ, 56th-st. near Sth-ave, Presenting Sunday morning and evening by the Pastor, the Rev. R. E. TYLER:

First Seclety of SpiritumHata, Grand Opera Hall, Sthave, oct. 23d-st.—J. J. MORSK, of Loudon, lectures morning and evening. Evening subject, "Woman, her Flace and Power." Settle free. Conference at 2330. Pire Points Honse of Industry, 155 Worth-st, WILLIAM P. BARNARD, Superintendent,—service of song every sublay at 3:30 o'clock. The service is admist wholly by the children of the institution. Public certifally invited. First Santiet Church, Park-ave., corner 39th-at.—Preaching by the Pastor, Rev. I. M. HALDE MAN, at 11 a.m. and 7:50 p.m. Strangers cordinity invited.

Mrs. Steedured Gray and De Witt C. Hough hold reacterishing seasons Santay, Weinesslay and Frainy, S o'clock, 223 West 34th-at.

Sinty-first Street Methodies a miscopal Church, between 3rd and 3d aves., HOWARD HENDENDON, D. D., Passon, IT.a. m., Advent: 7:50 p.m., "What to Bood."

Meeting for Working at Friends. D. D., Passing for Working at Friends. Beat Twontonines. (Crameroy Park) at 10:30 a. m. Neclety for Ethical Cultures—Dr. NAAN TON CONTRIBUTIONS the Scalety at Chickering Hall, corner Statement 18th-on, on Standay. Dec. 26. Decre opened at 10:40 tosed at 11. All interested are laying a linear transfer of the standard of the standard